

REMARKS

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office mailed a Notice of Allowance for the subject application on August 24, 2005. The issue fee is due November 25, 2005, and has not been paid. This Amendment is therefore timely filed.

This Amendment is submitted to amend the specification to enter the number of the patent that issued on prior application 09/806,658, from which the subject application claims the benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. §120. The present amendment to the specification does not add new matter to the application.

The benefit of priority to the aforementioned prior application was previously claimed by applicant and acknowledged by the USPTO. Accordingly, no petition or fee is required with the present Amendment.

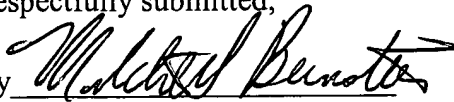
Entry of the present Amendment would not change the scope of the claims. It is submitted that entry of the Amendment will require no substantial additional work on the part of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

No fee is believed due with this paper. Should the Patent and Trademark Office determine that a fee is due, however, the Office is authorized to charge Darby & Darby deposit account no. 04-0100.

In light of the above remarks, entry of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

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